

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH  
ABSTRACT**

Social Audit – Society for Social Audit, Accountability & Transparency (SSAAT) – Search Committee for identifying a social activist as Director – Formation – Orders – Issued.

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PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (RD-II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 139

Dated:19.04.2010

**ORDER:**

Conduct of social audit of the MGNREGA works has been mandated under the MGNREG Act. In Andhra Pradesh, social audits are being conducted with the wage seekers with the resource support of the Society for Social Audit, Accountability & Transparency (SSAAT), which has been registered under the Societies Act. SSAAT is intended to work as an independent Body to facilitate/conduct of social audit. Till now, the post of the Director SSAAT has been held by senior officials as it was felt that procuring records and taking follow up action requires substantial coordination with the Governmental agencies.

2. However, this process is now streamlined. Government has already given a programme for conduct of social audit. The Commissioner, Rural Development has been entrusted with the responsibility of ensuring that records are produced in time for the social audit. A retired IAS officer has been engaged to work as Chief Vigilance Officer (CVO) to follow up on the cases found by the social audit. In these circumstances, SSAAT can totally concentrate on actual conduct of social audit as per the given schedule, with the help of social activists taken as SRPs and DRPs.

3. It is in this context, it is decided that the post of Director SSAAT shall be filled by a social activist, experienced in the conduct of social audit. If SSAAT is headed by a social activist, it is felt that social audit can become a more impartial non-governmental activity, enhancing the credibility of the exercise.

4. In the above circumstances, Government hereby direct that in order to identify suitable social activist capable of heading the SSAAT, a 'Search Committee' is formed with the following eminent members of the Governing Body of SSAAT:

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- a) Smt Aruna Roy, MKSS
- b) Sri B N Yugandhar Former Member Planning Commission
- c) Sri Mihir Shah, Member Planning Commission
- d) Sri BDA Sathya Babu Bose, Convenor, Peoples Monitoring Committee.

5. The members of the Search Committee shall send a panel of names for considering the appointment to the post of Director, SSAAT, along with their recommendations before 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2010.

6. A copy of this order is available on the Internet and can be accessed at the address: <http://www.rd.ap.gov.in>.

**(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)**

R.SUBRAHMANYAM  
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (RD)

To  
The members of the search committee  
The Commissioner, Rural Development  
The CVO, NREGS  
The Director SSAAT

**Copy to:**

The Prl Secy to Chief Minister.  
The PS to Minister (RD & NREGP)  
The PS to Principal Secretary to Govt. (RD), PR&RD Department  
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